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MR. CHAIRMAN : No; the Hon. Minister has given full and complete facts, and I do not think any further facts would be given. I have passed on to the next question.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : You may pass on as you please, Sir.

(The hon. Member then left the House.)

Teachers' Service Register books

* 260 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that Teachers' Service Register books are not available for sale at the Government Press; and

(b) if so, the step taken or proposed to be taken to make such books available?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) No, Sir, the books are available.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is it a fact that for some months these books were not available?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, it may be presumed that the books were out of stock for some time before 3rd April 1961, that is, at the time when the hon. Member gave notice of this question. Now, the matter has been rectified.

Activities of quacks

* 261 Q.—VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Press Release was issued by the Government recently warning the public against the activities of quacks like astrologers, palmists, magicians, fortune-tellers; and

(b) if so, to place a copy on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A copy[a] is placed on the table of the House.

VIDWAN T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : இவ்வாறு மக்களை ஏமாற்றும் இந்தப் போலிகளைக் கண்டுபிடித்து அவர்கள் மீது ஏதாவது நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா ?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : அது எப்படி முடியும்? நாமும் சேர்ந்து ஏமாறும்போது எப்படி நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கிறது என்று தெரியவில்லை. ஏமாந்து போகவேண்டாமென்றுதான் சொல்ல முடியும்.

DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN : Has any specific case of quacks practising as or posing as Siddha Vaidhya experts or having Siddha Vaidhya research centres, etc., been brought to the notice of the Government?

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a Printed as Appendix on page 100 infra.